



United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

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Case Number: F-2017-16767

Ms. Melanie Sloan  
American Oversight  
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Washington, DC 20005

Dear Ms. Sloan:

This is the initial agency decision on your November 01, 2017, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, 5 U.S.C. § 552, to the Department of State (DOS) for all communication/records related to the promotion of Trump properties and hotels for use by foreign officials. The DOS, Office of Information Programs and Services received your FOIA request on November 02, 2017, and assigned it the tracking number at the top of this letter. Please include the tracking number in all future communications concerning this FOIA request.

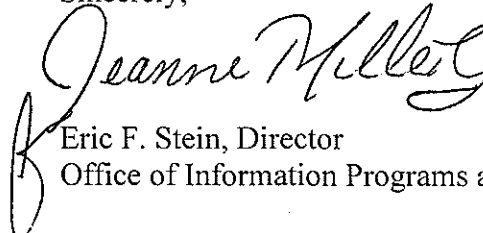
Please be advised the Office of the Chief of Protocol and the Office of Foreign Missions were tasked to conducted searches and no records responsive to your request were located.

For further assistance or to discuss any aspect of your request, you may contact our FOIA Requester Service Center or our FOIA Public Liaison via email to [FOIAstatus@state.gov](mailto:FOIAstatus@state.gov) or telephone at (202) 261-8484.

If you are not satisfied with DOS's determination in response to your FOIA request, you may administratively appeal by writing to: Appeals Officer, Appeals Review Panel, Office of Information Programs and Services (IPS), U.S. Department of State, State Annex 2 (SA-2), 515 22nd Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20522-8100, or faxed to (202) 261-8571. Appeals must be postmarked within 90 calendar days of the date of this initial agency decision letter. Please include a copy of this letter with your written appeal and clearly state why you disagree with the determinations set forth in this response.

Additionally, if you are not satisfied with DOS's determination in response to your request, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) to inquire about the FOIA Mediation Services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, email address: [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov); telephone: (202) 741-5770; toll free number: 1-877-684-6448; facsimile: (202) 741-5769.

Sincerely,



Eric F. Stein, Director  
Office of Information Programs and Services